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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re application of:

Monto H. KUMAGAI, *et al.*

Application Serial No.: 09/359,300

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For: **METHOD OF COMPILING A  
FUNCTIONAL GENE PROFILE BY  
TRANSFECTING A NUCLEIC ACID  
SEQUENCE OF A NON-PLANT DONOR  
INTO A HOST PLANT IN A POSITIVE  
SENSE ORIENTATION**

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Examiner: Leffers, Jr. G.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a Preliminary Amendment. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendment prior to considering the application.

**THE AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification**

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 71, line 10 with the following paragraph: